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REGULAR MEETING
2nd SESSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2025

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
3RD FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

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CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to adjournment, the regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by the Chair and Presiding Officer, Tommy Waters, at 10:29 a.m.

MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

Council Chair Waters acknowledged the passing of Honolulu Firefighter Jeffrey Fiala who tragically lost his life on January 6, 2025 while bravely and heroically servicing the community.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following Councilmembers present:

Councilmembers Cordero, Dos Santos-Tam, Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer, Waters –9.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Councilmember Cordero thanked Vice-Chair Weyer for leading the Council in celebrating the Lunar New Year. She also acknowledged the presence of the majority of the City Administration and noted that she hoped to see more of them in the coming year.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Weyer moved that the Minutes of the 28th and Inaugural Session be approved, subject to corrections by Councilmembers within 30 days. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS –9.
NOES: None.

ORDER OF THE DAY

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-32

RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF EMMIT KANE TO SERVE ON THE SALARY COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Resolution 25-32 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individual testified:

Emmit Kane (General comment)

Resolution 25-32 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-33

RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF 'AULI'I DUDOIT TO SERVE ON THE SALARY COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following amendment was handcarried into the meeting:

Resolution 25-33, Proposed FD1 (OCS2025-0090/1/28/2025 2:55PM)

Councilmember Weyer moved that Resolution 25-33 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Resolution 25-33 be amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0090/1/28/2025 2:55PM). Seconded by Councilmember Cordero. Councilmember Weyer explained the FD1 amendment.

The following individual testified:

'Auli'i Dudoit (General comment)

Councilmember Kia'āina stated that Ms. Dudoit has extensive experience in the non-profit, higher education and government sectors both at the State and Federal levels. She noted that she previously worked with Ms. Dudoit at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and supports her nomination.

Resolution 25-33 was amended to the handcarried FD1 (OCS2025-0090/1/28/2025 2:55PM).

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Council Rule 19.G relating to the 48-hour notice was waived.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Resolution 25-33, FD1 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-24 Testimony on Resolution 25-33

At this juncture, with no objections from the 9 members present, Chair Waters considered Resolution 25-29, confirming the appointment of Dawn B. Szewczyk by the Mayor to serve on the 2025 Charter Commission of the City and County of Honolulu from page 14 of the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-29

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DAWN B. SZEWCZYK BY THE MAYOR TO SERVE ON THE 2025 CHARTER COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

There was no public testimony.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-29 to the Committee on Executive Management for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-70 Board of Water Supply

The Chair returned to the agenda order.

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-5

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MICHAEL D. FORMBY TO SERVE AS THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Michael D. Formby, Managing Director Designate (General comment)
2. Racquel Achiu (M-29) (Support)
3. Donald Sakamoto, Citizens for a Fair ADA Ride (Support)
4. Alfred Keaka Hiona Medeiros (Support)

Councilmember Cordero noted that the majority of the Council will continue on for the next four years and asked Managing Director Designate Formby to share his plan to improve the Administration's communication and relationship with the Legislative Branch.

Councilmember Kia'aina acknowledged the important role of Managing Director Designate Formby in the City Administration and stated her support for him to continue serving in his current capacity. She highlighted concerns of the impact of federal level funding that might be coming down to the City and noted the importance of the City Administration and Council working collectively to coordinate and strategize a strong budget.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam noted he shared the same concerns as Councilmember Kia'aina and asked Managing Director Designate Formby to share steps the City Administration will be taking to mitigate and address Federal funding concerns.

Councilmember Tupola stated her support for Managing Director Designate Formby and pointed out that she hoped the City Administration would be able to come up with a better system to facilitate follow-up with the various City Departments. She also noted her concern about the wastewater fee increase and wanted to know the Administration's plan to reduce that cost and indicated her support to help the Administration in that endeavor.

Managing Director Designate Formby acknowledged that it is the goal of the Administration to improve and continue to work closely with Councilmembers. He noted that the Administration is very concerned with the Federal level funding issue and shared that he receives regular communication from Washington that he will share with the Council. Managing Director Designate Formby also indicated that Departments are reaching out to their Federal level counterparts to find out what is happening and he would share any information he receives and asked the same from Councilmembers. He stated that he will be requesting that the Chair ask Councilmembers to reach out to their constituents to

provide feedback if their lives have been affected by Federal funding cuts and share the data with the Administration so it can be shared with the Lieutenant Governor's office.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-5 to the Committee on International and Legal Affairs for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-51 Board of Water Supply
M-29 Testimony on Resolution 25-5

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-6

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ANDREW T. KAWANO TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF BUDGET AND FISCAL SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Andrew T. Kawano, Director Designate (General comment)
2. Donald Sakamoto (Support)
3. Tim Garry (Comment)

Councilmember Weyer noted he will reserve his questions for Committee and indicated his interest in further discussions on increasing the threshold for the low income tax credit.

Councilmember Tupola thanked all the Director Designates who have taken the time to meet with her and noted her concern on the slowness of procurement in the Department of Budget and Fiscal Services. She indicated that she would like to hear in Committee what may be slowing down that process and plans to address efficiency concerns in the upcoming budget. Councilmember Tupola noted that she agrees with the establishment of the Permitted Interaction Group to discuss real property tax issues.

Councilmember Cordero noted that the City may face funding concerns on many levels and proposed working together to review and prioritize items to help subsidize sewer fees and any other potential fees in the future.

Council Chair Waters stated he will reserve his questions for Committee and asked Director Designate Kawano to be prepared to talk about possible revenue generating ideas without raising taxes.

Director Designate Kawano stated his recommendation to put together a Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) to review all the real property tax bills and the impact on the budget. He further suggested that the PIG should include tax experts to ensure that the discussions are effective. Director Designate Kawano reminded Councilmembers that the sewer increase of 9% is to cover costs already incurred. He noted that there have been no sewer fee increases from 2017 and the proposed increase is to cover costs and obligations and not for future work or projects. He noted there is a huge concern over the threat of loss of Federal funding and agreed that communication and continuously setting action plans is needed to mitigate the potential impacts.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-6 to the Committee on Budget for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-52 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-7

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ANTON C. KRUCKY TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Anton C. Krucky, Director Designate (General comment)
2. Donald Sakamoto (Support)
3. Tim Garry (Support)

Councilmember Weyer requested Director Designate Krucky to be prepared in Committee to provide an overview of Federal funds that the Department relies on and positions that rely on Federal funds to begin early discussions on the effects of a potential funding loss.

Councilmember Tupola pointed out that the Administration has frequently asked for information on parcels in her District to be used for affordable housing which she has provided numerous times. She requested the Department of Community Services to work with other Departments to put together a priority list of such properties and share whether or not the Department has the funding to pursue acquisition of said properties.

Director Designate Krucky noted that much of the activity within the Department is funneled through Federal funding. While he anticipates more targeted funding impacts, he indicated

that he will be making preparations on a broader basis and will share information with Councilmembers. He also noted that he will confer with the respective Departments to prepare the information sought by Councilmember Tupola.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-7 to the Committee on Housing, Sustainability, Economy and Health for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-53 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-8

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DANA M.O. VIOLA TO SERVE AS THE CORPORATION COUNSEL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Dana M.O. Viola, Director Designate (General comment)

Councilmember Kia'aina thanked the Corporation Counsel for defending the City in the Haiku Stairs case and referenced the recent trespassing incident highlighting that public safety is at stake as the public continues to trespass on the Haiku stairs.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-8 to the Committee on International and Legal Affairs for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-54 Board of Water Supply
M-38 Testimony on Resolution 25-8

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-9

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE NOMINATION OF KIMBERLY M. HASHIRO TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMER SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Kimberly M. Hashiro, Director Designate (General comment)

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-9 to the Committee on Public Safety and Customer Services for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-55 Board of Water Supply
M-32 Testimony on Resolution 25-9

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-10

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DOMINIC H.K. MILLES TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Dominic H.K. Milles, Director Designate (General comment)

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-10 to the Committee on Planning, Infrastructure and Transportation for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-56 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-11

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF JAMES H. E. IRELAND, M.D., TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. James H. E. Ireland, M.D., Director Designate (General comment)
2. Racquel Achiu (Support)
3. Angela Melody Young, CARES (Support)

Councilmember Kia'āina thanked Director Designate Dr. James Ireland for representing the City at the Kailua Neighborhood Board. She noted that she did not agree that the Hawaii Pacific University Kaneohe campus is an appropriate venue for the Department of Land and Natural Resources and recommended that the City consider purchasing that parcel to bring an emergency management presence with homeless shelters and affordable housing.

Councilmember Okimoto requested updates and reports regarding the task force to study the proposed merger of the Emergency Services Department and Honolulu Fire Department.

Manning Director Designate Formby shared that the Mayor plans to stand up the task force to study the merger of the Emergency Services Department and the Honolulu Fire Department in the FY26 budget and the proposed funding request will be split between two departments to be able to conduct studies and take forth all considerations recommended by the Council.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-11 to the Committee on Public Safety and Customer Services for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-57 Board of Water Supply
M-35 Testimony on Resolution 25-11

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-12

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DITA D. SIMEONA, ALSO KNOWN AS DITA HOLIFIELD, TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF ENTERPRISE SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Dita Holified, Director Designate (General comment)
2. Angela Melody Young (Support)
3. Caller identified as 1360****141 (General comment)
4. Tim Garry (Support)

Councilmember Kia'āina indicated she will reserve her questions for Committee. She noted that the Royal Hawaiian Band recently moved to new headquarters and are authorized to charge fees. She suggested that Director Designate Holified work with the Royal Hawaiian Band to promote their service to the public.

Councilmember Tupola noted that she would like to hear in Committee about revenue generating ideas from both the Department of Budget and Fiscal Services and the Department of Enterprise Services. She indicated that she is interested in both departments working together to support initiatives to efficiently generate revenue for the City.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-12 to the Committee on Innovation, Technology and Entertainment for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-58 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-13

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF ROGER W. BABCOCK, JR., P.E., PH.D., TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Roger W. Babcock, Jr., P.E., Ph.D., Director Designate (General comment)
2. Donald Sakamoto (Support)
3. Angela Melody Young (Support)

Councilmember Weyer requested Director Designate Babcock to bring to Committee a list of his Department's programs and positions impacted by Federal funding and to be prepared to discuss budget components that relate to landfill siting and to offset the sewer rates.

Councilmember Tupola noted that she will be bringing to Committee a list of grants that the City could possibly apply for and requested that Director Designate Babcock do the same. She agreed with Councilmember Weyer about reducing the sewer rates and stated that she would support and help the Department in finding ways to come up with a plan.

Councilmember Kia'āina expressed her concern with the continuous pollution of beaches because of harmful sewage spilled from wastewater treatment plants and noted previous discussions to implement short-term mitigation plans to address these concerns have not been acted upon.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-13 to the Committee on Housing, Sustainability, Economy and Health for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-59 Board of Water Supply
M-39 Testimony on Resolution 25-13

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-14

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF GENE C. ALBANO, P.E., TO SERVE AS THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Gene C. Albano, Director Designate (General comment)
2. Donald Sakamoto (Support)

Councilmember Cordero noted that she would like an update in Committee on building maintenance and how the Department of Facility Maintenance supports other agencies.

Council Chair Waters thanked Director Designate Albano and his team as they prepare for the upcoming storm. He requested that Director Designate Albano reach out to Councilmembers to share vital information with the community.

Councilmember Kia'āina noted that in anticipation of the storm, she has been sharing with her community to contact 911 for storm surges that occur after hours and asked Director Designate Albano to work together with Honolulu Police Department to notify them of a potential influx of phone calls.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-14 to the Committee on Planning, Infrastructure and Transportation for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-60 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-15

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF NOLA N. MIYASAKI, TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Nola N. Miyasaki, Director Designate (General comment)

Councilmember Weyer noted that he would appreciate hearing from Director Designate Miyasaki in Committee on increased differentials for various positions.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam indicated that many departments have expressed frustration at the difficulty to fill vacancies because of classification and job description issues. He noted that he hopes to work with Director Designate Miyasaki on these issues to begin filling vacancies to expand the reach of services provided to the public.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-15 to the Committee on International and Legal Affairs for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-61 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-16

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF BRIAN C. MCKEE TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Brian C. McKee, Director Designate (General comment)

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-16 to the Committee on Innovation, Technology and Entertainment for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-62 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-17

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MASAHIKO KOBAYASHI, M.D., PH.D., TO SERVE AS THE MEDICAL EXAMINER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Masahiko Kobayashi, M.D., Ph.D., Director Designate (General comment)

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-17 to the Committee on Public Safety and Customer Services for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-63 Board of Water Supply
M-30 Testimon on Resolution 25-17

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-18

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF LAURA H. THIELEN TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Laura H. Thielen, Director Designate (General comment)
2. Donald Sakamoto (Support)
3. Angela Melody Young, CARES (Support)

Councilmember Okimoto noted that the scope of the Department of Parks and Recreation is very broad and asked Director Designate Thielen to share her initiatives and priorities for the next four years.

Director Designate Thielen shared that the Department is currently working on:

- Developing professional capacity of staff within the Department
- Standards for recreational programming particularly programs for youth and kupuna
- Standards on maintenance to shift from being reactive to proactive
- Developing an asset management approach starting with rules for buildings
- Maintenance standards for groundskeepers
- Efforts on climate change including a partnership with the State on dune restoration and mitigating impacts on beach parks
- Increasing tree canopy coverage and equity in improvement at parks across the island

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-18 to the Committee on Parks for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-64 Board of Water Supply
M-34 Testimony on Resolution 25-18

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-19

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF DAWN E. TAKEUCHI APUNA TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND PERMITTING OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Dawn E. Takeuchi Apuna, Director Designate (General comment)
2. Racquel Chiu (Support)
3. Angela Melody Young (Support)

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-19 to the Committee on Zoning for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-65 Board of Water Supply
M-36 Testimony on Resolution 25-19

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-20

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF J. ROGER MORTON TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Donald Sakamoto (Support)

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-20 to the Committee on Planning, Infrastructure and Transportation for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-66 Board of Water Supply

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-21

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF CLARKE L. K. BRIGHT TO SERVE AS THE BAND DIRECTOR OF THE ROYAL HAWAIIAN BAND OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Clarke L. K. Bright, Director Designate (General comment)
2. Deborah King (M-37) (Support)
3. Angela Melody Young (Support)

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-21 to the Committee on Innovation, Technology and Entertainment for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-67 Board of Water Supply
M-37 Testimony on Resolution 25-21

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-27

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF CATHERINE A. TASCHNER TO SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF LAND MANAGEMENT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individual testified:

Catherine A. Taschner, Director Designate (General comment)

Councilmember Weyer noted that Director Designate Taschner brought a wealth of experience, legal background and knowledge to the position and thanked her for paving a new path for the Department. He noted he will be asking questions in Committee particularly revolving the Clean Water Natural Land Fund.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-27 to the Committee on Executive Management for further discussion.

Related communications:

D-69 Board of Water Supply
M-31 Testimony on Resolution 25-27

PUBLIC HEARING/RESOLUTION
RESOLUTION 25-22

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF LLOYD M. YONENAKA TO SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

The following individuals testified:

1. Lloyd M. Yonenaka, Executive Secretary Designate (General comment)
2. Angela Melody Young (Support)
3. Racquel Achiu (Support)
4. Tim Garry (Support)

Councilmember Tupola expressed her appreciation to Executive Secretary Designate Yonenaka for his work to guide and educate the Neighborhood Boards to understand and abide by the Sunshine rules. She noted that this should provide more order during meetings but still allow for public input and keep the Boards more organized.

Chair Waters referred Resolution 25-22 to the Committee on International and Legal Affairs for further discussion.

Related communication:

D-68 Board of Water Supply

(Note: Earlier in the meeting, Resolution 25-29 was adopted. See page 4.)

FIRST READING
BILL 1

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PUBLIC PLACES.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 1 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Bill 1 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-25 Testimony on Bill 1

FIRST READING

BILL 2

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO FUNDS.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 2 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Bill 2 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-47 Testimony on Bill 2

FIRST READING

BILL 3

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO INCENTIVES FOR BUSINESSES.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 3 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Bill 3 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-48 Testimony on Bill 3

FIRST READING

BILL 4

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SPONSORSHIPS.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 4 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individuals testified:

1. Winston Welch, The Outdoor Circle (M-57) (General comment)
2. Tim Garry (Support)

Councilmember Tupola stated she will be bringing up research on models done in other cities where there are foundations or funds just for the park. She noted that she receives requests on a regular basis to help with a park that is beyond the scope of Adopt-A-Park. She indicated her support and that she looked forward to working further on the bill.

Bill 4 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-57 Testimony on Bill 4

FIRST READING

BILL 5

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ANIMAL RECOVERY.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 5 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Tupola suggested that the term for the poundmaster should be changed to animal control contractor and she noted that the current laws relating to the poundmaster are outdated and no longer applicable. She further noted that the Bill recommends that the purview of the animal control contractor come under the Department of Customer Services.

Bill 5 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

FIRST READING

BILL 6

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO STRUCTURES.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 6 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Bill 6 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-52 Testimony on Bill 6

FIRST READING

BILL 7

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE FIRE CODE.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 7 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individual testified:

Christine Denton, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney (M-46)
(General comment)

Bill 7 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-46 Testimony on Bill 7

FIRST READING

BILL 8

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ANIMAL NUISANCES.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 8 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Tupola expressed her support for the Bill and noted that the measure establishes civil penalties to protect residents and their properties.

Bill 8 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-27 Testimony on Bill 8

FIRST READING
BILL 9

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO FEES AND CHARGES.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Bill 9 pass first reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Bill 9 passed first reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
 TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-51 Testimony on Bill 9

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING
BILL 24 (2024), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 311(24)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE REVISED PRIMARY URBAN CENTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

Councilmember Cordero moved that Committee Report 311(24) be adopted and Bill 24 (2024) pass second reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Okimoto.

The following individuals testified:

1. Kehaulani Lum, Ali'i Pauahi Hawaiian Civic Club (M-45) (Oppose)
2. Alison Kaolinokaimana & Jason Yasuoka Arakaki (M-45) (Oppose)
3. Kellee Hearther (M-45) (Oppose)
4. James Manuku, Sr. (Oppose)

5. Caller identified as 1360****141 (General comment)
6. Alfred Keaka Hiona Medeiros (Oppose)
7. Racquel Achiu (General comment)

Councilmember Cordero expressed her appreciation for all the work that has been put into the Bill and looked forward to reviewing and considering further amendments in Committee.

Council Chair Waters shared his appreciation for all the work that has been done and meetings that were held in the community to receive public feedback. He noted that the measure will be going back to Committee and the public will have another opportunity to provide feedback.

Committee Report 311(24) was adopted and Bill 24 (2024), CD1 passed second reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-45 Testimony on Bill 24 (2024)

PUBLIC HEARING/SECOND READING
BILL 63 (2024) – COMMITTEE REPORT 5

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Committee Report 5 be adopted and Bill 63 (2024) pass second reading. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 5 was adopted and Bill 63 (2024) passed second reading.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-50 Testimony on Bill 63 (2024)

THIRD READING

BILL 54 (2024), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 1

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 2021, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE TAXABLE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BOND FUND.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam moved that Committee Report 1 be adopted and Bill 54 (2024) pass third reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Weyer.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 1 was adopted and Bill 54 (2024), CD1 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
 TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

THIRD READING

BILL 19 (2024), FD1, CD2 – COMMITTEE REPORT 4

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO HOUSING.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Committee Report 4 be adopted and Bill 19 (2024), FD1, CD1 pass third reading as amended to CD2. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 4 was adopted and Bill 19 (2024), FD1, CD2 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

THIRD READING

BILL 52 (2024), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 16

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ELECTRIC BICYCLES.

Councilmember Cordero moved that Committee Report 16 be adopted and Bill 52 (2024) pass third reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Okimoto.

The following individuals testified:

1. Eduardo Hernandez, Hawaii Bicycling League (M-58) (Support)
2. Donald Sakamoto (M-53) (General comment)

Councilmember Tulba noted that the e-bike issue is a huge concern in many communities and while the Bill is not a complete fix, it is a step closer to safe streets for all.

In response to Councilmember Tulba, Major James Slayter, Honolulu Police Department (HPD) Traffic Division, indicated that HPD is using a current statute to crack down on e-bikes. He clarified that the electronic dirt bikes or electronic motorcycles that are popping wheelies on roadways are subject to a different statutory law that allows HPD to remove them from the street. Major Slayter expressed support for Bill 52 (2024), CD1 and noted that the e-bike working group with the Department of Transportation Services was excellent and that he appreciated the Council for considering the collaborative ideas from the working group.

Committee Report 16 was adopted and Bill 52 (2024), CD1 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communications:

MM-11 Office of Climate Change Sustainability and Resiliency
M-53 Testimony on Bill 52 (2024)
M-58 Testimony on Bill 52 (2024)

THIRD READING

BILL 56 (2024), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 17

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE USE OF MALLS.

Councilmember Cordero moved that Committee Report 17 be adopted and Bill 56 (2024) pass third reading as amended to CD1. Seconded by Councilmember Okimoto.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam expressed his appreciation for the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Department of Transportation Services as well as all the stakeholders for working together on the Bill. He noted that the seven pedestrian malls are great assets for the community and the passage of the Bill will help activate and enliven the spaces to allow more events, streets festivals and activities for the public to enjoy.

Committee Report 17 was adopted and Bill 56 (2024), CD1 passed third reading, as amended.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-49 Testimony on Bill 56 (2024)

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-292 – COMMITTEE REPORT 2

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam moved that Committee Report 2 and Resolution 24-292 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 2 and Resolution 24-292 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-4 – COMMITTEE REPORT 3

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE FIRE PLANS REVIEW REVOLVING FUND.

Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam moved that Committee Report 3 and Resolution 25-4 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Nishimoto.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Okimoto noted that the purpose the Resolution is to ensure that first responders remain equipped with necessary resources and a commitment to transparency. She indicated that she introduced the Resolution to enhance accountability and provide insights into fund management, reinforce community trust and she further noted that the audit represents good governance practice and ensures the effective use of public resources to support the work of the Honolulu Fire Department.

Committee Report 3 and Resolution 25-4 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

RECESS/RECONVENE

At 1:00 p.m., the Chair called for a recess as noted on the agenda. With 6 members present (Excused: Cordero, Dos Santos-Tam, Okimoto – 3), the Chair reconvened the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-2 – COMMITTEE REPORT 6

RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAI'I STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD CREATE A UNIVERSAL FREE SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Committee Report 6 and Resolution 25-2 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 6 and Resolution 25-2 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 7.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM, OKIMOTO – 2.

Related communication:

M-41 Testimony on Resolution 25-2

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-3, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 7

RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE CITY POLICY, AS SET FORTH IN RESOLUTION 03-09, FD1, ADOPTED ON APRIL 16, 2003, THAT MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS SHOULD NOT BE LOCATED IN PROXIMITY TO THE CITY'S UNDERGROUND DRINKING WATER SOURCES.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Committee Report 7 and Resolution 25-3, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

The following individuals testified:

1. Ernest Lau, Manager, Board of Water Supply (D-50) (Support)
2. Cody Sula, Ironworkers Stabilization Fund (Support)
3. Alison Kaolinokaimana (Support)
4. James Manuku, Sr. (General comment)
5. Angela Melody Young, CARES (General comment)

6. Alfred Keaka Hiona Medeiros (M-33) (General Comment)
7. Caller identified as 1360***141 (General comment)

Councilmember Tupola stated her support for the Resolution. She expressed appreciation for the Administration's effort to move the landfill out of her District and stressed that the City is still relying too heavily on landfills and shared examples and efforts of different countries like India, Taiwan, China and Denmark who have effective recycling programs. Councilmember Tupola referenced a 2019 report from the Department of Environmental Services on the City incinerator at H-Power that mentioned two significant investments that could eventually generate income.

Councilmember Weyer expressed his appreciation to all the advocates and stakeholders for their support of the Resolution. He further noted that while he understood the challenges faced by the City Administration in siting the landfill, he clarified that the Board of Water Supply and the Legislative Branch do not support siting the landfill above the aquifer.

Committee Report 7 and Resolution 25-3, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communications:

D-50 Board of Water Supply
M-33 Testimony on Resolution 25-3

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-294 – COMMITTEE REPORT 8

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF ONE (1) HIGH-BACK TRADITIONAL BENCH, PREPARATION OF THE GROUNDS, AND A BRONZE PLAQUE WITH AN INSCRIPTION TO READ, "DONATED BY THE FAMILY OF VICTORIA 'CISSY' CARVALHO YUEN," VALUED AT \$2,594.67, TO THE CITY FROM ALINE FRANKLIN TO BE INSTALLED AT PU'ULOA BEACH PARK.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 8 and Resolution 24-294 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tulba.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 8 and Resolution 24-294 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-296 – COMMITTEE REPORT 9

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF 14 (FOURTEEN) FABRICATED CHINESE NEW YEAR BANNERS VALUED AT \$5,000 FROM EDDIE FLORES, A BETTER CHINATOWN ASSOCIATION, WHICH WILL BE DISPLAYED ALONG KEKAULIKE MALL.

Councilmember Tupola moved that Committee Report 9 and Resolution 24-296 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Tulba.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 9 and Resolution 24-296 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-256, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 10

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT AND SHORELINE SETBACK VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLING AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN HAWAI'I KAI, O'AHU.

The following amendment was posted on the agenda:

Resolution 24-256, CD1, Proposed FD1

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 10 and Resolution 24-256, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Resolution 24-256, CD1 be amended to the posted FD1. Seconded by Councilmember Weyer. Councilmember Kia'āina explained the FD1 amendment.

The following individual testified:

James Manaku, Sr. (General comment)

Councilmember Kia'āina noted that no matter what County, State or Federal laws are passed, there is nothing that can infringe on traditional customary practices of Native Hawaiians. She stated that if there is concern of infringement on traditional customary practices, there are appropriate venues to make complaints with the appropriate agency to address the concerns.

Resolution 24-256, CD1 was amended to the posted FD1.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Committee Report 10 and Resolution 24-256, CD1, FD1 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-56 Testimony on Resolution 24-256

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-297, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 11

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXEMPTIONS FROM CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO THE 1142 KINA'U STREET AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING PROJECT IN HONOLULU, O'AHU.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 11 and Resolution 24-297, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam.

There was no public testimony.

Committee Report 11 and Resolution 24-297, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-40 Testimony on Resolution 24-297

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-23, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 12

RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MAJOR PERMIT TO ALLOW THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN EIGHT-STORY MULTI-UNIT AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING PROJECT IN 'AIEA, O'AHU.

Councilmember Kia'āina moved that Committee Report 12 and Resolution 25-23, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam.

The following individuals testified:

1. Kehaulani Lum, Ali'i Pauahi Hawaiian Civic Club (M-44) (Oppose)
2. Claire Tamamoto, Aiea Community Association (M-44) (Oppose)
3. Alison Kaolinokaimana & Jason Yasuoka Arakaki (M-44) (Oppose)
4. Kellee Hearther (M-44) (Oppose)
5. Iwalani Laybon-McBrayer, Kuupea Homestead (Support)
6. Patti Barbee Tancayo, Principal, Ikenakea Development (Support)

In response to Councilmember Cordero, Keegan Flaherty, Ikenakea Development, stated that the company conducted community outreach at the end of 2023 and received concerns about negative impacts on water resources. A third party was hired to conduct a hydrogeological survey and confirmed there were no adverse effects on water quality or quantity. Mr. Flaherty noted that responses to the community concerns were addressed in the environmental assessment which was submitted to the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) and no further environmental review was required. He noted that the project had a public hearing on the SMA in October 2024 and findings and information about the project were presented to the Neighborhood Board in January 2025. Mr. Flaherty confirmed that the project is seeking an additional 60 foot height limit exemption.

In response to councilmembers, Elizabeth Krueger, DPP, shared that the project undergoes multiple reviews to ensure that codes are met and it does not adversely impact surrounding areas. She noted that review will continue during the building permit process. She indicated that DPP did not identify any future flooding impacts. Ms. Krueger stated that a preliminary review by DPP engineers found no concerns with the project's piling method.

Committee Report 12 and Resolution 25-23, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 8.
NOES: CORDERO – 1.

Related communication:

M-44 Testimony on Resolution 25-23

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-26, CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 13

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXEMPTIONS FROM CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO THE HALE O LĪPOA AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN 'AIEA, O'AHU.

Councilmember Kia'aina moved that Committee Report 13 and Resolution 25-26, as amended to CD1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Dos Santos-Tam.

The following individuals testified:

1. Kehaulani Lum, Ali'i Pauahi Hawaiian Civic Club (M-43) (Oppose)
2. Alison Kaolinokaimana & Jason Yasuoka Arakaki (M-43) (Oppose)
3. Angela Melody Young (Support)

Committee Report 13 and Resolution 25-26, CD1 as amended were adopted.

AYES: DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 7.
NOES: CORDERO – 1.
ABSENT: NISHIMOTO – 1.

Related communication:

M-43 Testimony on Resolution 25-26

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 24-267 – COMMITTEE REPORT 14

RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION AND THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT TO CREATE A NEW POLICE SUBSTATION IN MILILANI.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 14 and Resolution 24-267 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Okimoto stated that the Resolution seeks to reaffirm the community's desire to have a new police substation in Mililani when resources are available, and highlights the need to add a new patrol district for Mililani and Pearl City to lessen the impact on the North Shore communities. She acknowledged and supported the staffing concerns expressed by the Honolulu Police Department during the Committee hearing.

Committee Report 14 and Resolution 24-267 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TUPOLA, WEYER,
 WATERS – 7.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: NISHIMOTO, TULBA – 2.

Related communication:

M-28 Testimony on Resolution 24-267

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-25 – COMMITTEE REPORT 15

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT THE UPDATED 2025 LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

Councilmember Okimoto moved that Committee Report 15 and Resolution 25-25 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Kia'āina.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Cordero recognized the hard work by the Department of Emergency Management and shared her concern that certain Federal funding will remain safe. She added that she would like to see the approved updated plan shared with different neighborhood boards across the island.

Committee Report 15 and Resolution 25-25 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-220 – COMMITTEE REPORT 18

RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 22, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 2021 (THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE), RELATING TO PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

Councilmember Cordero moved that Committee Report 18 and Resolution 24-220 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Okimoto.

The following individuals testified:

1. Lee Tokuhara, D.R. Horton Hawaii (M-54) (Support)
2. Caller identified as 1360****141 (General comment)

Committee Report 18 and Resolution 24-220 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-54 Testimony on Resolution 24-220

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-223 – COMMITTEE REPORT 19

RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 21, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 2021 (THE LAND USE ORDINANCE), RELATING TO SIGN STANDARDS FOR BUSINESSES IN APARTMENT AND APARTMENT MIXED-USE DISTRICTS.

Councilmember Cordero moved that Committee Report 19 and Resolution 24-223 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Okimoto.

The following individual testified:

Lee Tokuhara, D.R. Horton Hawaii (M-55) (Support)

Councilmember Tupola stated her support for the Resolution and explained that she introduced the Resolution to support small businesses and to allow for more than one sign on the ground floor especially for mixed-use developments. She explained that in areas where residential and commercial are mixed, clear signage helps businesses stand out and generates foot traffic to help businesses succeed.

Committee Report 19 and Resolution 24-223 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-55 Testimony on Resolution 24-223

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 20

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FINAL O'AHU VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN DATED AUGUST 2024.

Councilmember Cordero moved that Committee Report 20 and Resolution 25-1 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Okimoto.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Tupola expressed her support for the Resolution which will greatly benefit her District where there is a lot of new housing and the streets need better infrastructure. She shared that she gave the plan to the neighborhoods boards for feedback on areas of concern. She indicated that the plan may attract Federal funding and that she is grateful to the Department of Transportation Services for coming up with interim traffic safety solutions.

Committee Report 20 and Resolution 25-1 were adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

Related communication:

MM-12 Office of Climate Change Sustainability and Resiliency

BALANCE OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

PI&TCR-21 Requesting consideration of Grant of Sewer Easement 3379 for public use in Ewa. (D-819[24])

PI&TCR-22 Requesting consideration of Deed conveying drain channel Lot 19211; Grant of Drainage Easement 10299; Grant of Sewer Easement 1442 (portion); and Grant of Sewer Easement 9553 for public use in Ewa. (D-829[24])

Councilmember Weyer moved that the Balance of Committee Reports, as listed above, be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

The Balance of Committee Reports was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 24-295

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF \$8,144.50 TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY FOR WINCHES FOR THE PULLEY SYSTEM AND HAY FEEDERS ON THE UMBRELLA SHADE STRUCTURES IN THE ELEPHANT EXHIBIT AT THE HONOLULU ZOO.

Resolution 24-295 was waived to the Council floor by the Chair of the Committee on Innovation, Technology and Entertainment (CC-8).

Councilmember Weyer moved that Resolution 24-295 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 24-295 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.

NOES: None.

ADOPTION

RESOLUTION 25-34

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HAWAI'I STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' NOMINEES TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES AND THE WESTERN INTERSTATE REGION BOARDS OF DIRECTORS FOR THE 2025-2026 TERM.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Resolution 25-34 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-34 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-35

RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING 'ŌLELO HAWAI'I AS AN OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Resolution 25-35 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Councilmember Kia'āina stated that she is proud to co-sponsor the Resolution to affirm that 'Ōlelo Hawaii is an official language of the State of Hawaii after an individual testifier previously stated that the Hawaiian language was a dead language. She noted that such incidents are great opportunities to educate the larger community and reaffirm the existence of the Hawaiian people and the language.

Councilmember Tupola stated that she will be introducing another Resolution relating to Hawaiian language. She shared that even though Hawaiian has been an official language since the 1970s, it is not codified in law of what needs to be done to support Hawaiian language speakers. Councilmember Tupola also shared the steps taken in New Zealand to establish Maori as the official language and noted the same should be considered here in Hawaii.

Resolution 25-35 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

Related communication:

M-26 Testimony on Resolution 25-35

ADOPTION
RESOLUTION 25-36

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF REGISTRATION FEES, LODGING AND MEALS VALUED AT \$1,967.36 TO THE CITY FROM THE HONOLULU ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY FOR THE HONOLULU ZOO VETERINARIAN TO ATTEND A PRACTICAL ZOO NUTRITION MANAGEMENT COURSE AT THE SMITHSONIAN-MASON SCHOOL OF CONSERVATION IN FRONT ROYAL, VIRGINIA, FROM APRIL 28 — MAY 2, 2025.

Councilmember Weyer moved that Resolution 25-36 be adopted. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero.

There was no public testimony.

Resolution 25-36 was adopted.

AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, NISHIMOTO, OKIMOTO,
TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER, WATERS – 9.
NOES: None.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Tulba expressed his mahalo to Larie Manutai for her dedication and hard work as she transitions in her employment from the City Council to the Hawaii State Legislature.

Chair Waters honored and thanked Jim Williston from the Office of Council Services for his dedicated service and wished him a fulfilling and joyous retirement.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:30 p.m., Councilmember Weyer moved that Council stand adjourned until Wednesday, February 26, 2025, at 10 a.m. Seconded by Councilmember Cordero and there being no objections from the 9 members present, it was so ordered by the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

GLEN I. TAKAHASHI
City Clerk

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DATE APPROVED:

February 26, 2025